European Advisory Committee on statistical information: number of members

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OBJECTIVE: the draft decision seeks to amend Council Decision 91/116/EEC setting up the European Advisory Committee on statistical information in the economic and social spheres to take account of the accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden to the Community and the consequent increase in the number of members of this committee. SUBSTANCE: It is proposed that the references to the number of members from each Member State as regards the Presidents or Directors-General of the national statistical institutes (formerly 12) and the number of representatives of the Member States to be appointed by the Council (formerly 24, i.e. two per country) should be removed. To make the Council decision more flexible so that it is able to cope with the future accession of new Member States without having to be amended again, it is proposed that any reference to a precise number of members should be removed from the text.